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The "greatest show on earth" will open in New Orleans to-morrow.

Mr. Adams says he has not married Miss Coleridge—and Mr. Adams ought to know.

It is becoming pretty plainly apparent that the treaty with Spain will not secure the two-thirds majority necessary to ratify it.

If the railroads keep on reducing rates to New Orleans it will soon be less expensive to go to the exposition than stay at home.

Make your friends happy by giving them Christmas presents, but don't spend so much money that you have none left for the suffering poor during the long months of the coming winter.

The press and Thomas F. Bayard seem to be pretty generally settling down to the conclusion that Thomas F. Bayard is to be one of President Cleveland's secretaries. By and by we shall hear from Mr. Cleveland about it.

While some of the smaller fry of Pennsylvania politicians are wondering who will be Pennsylvania's United States Senator, Mr. Cameron sits quietly in his easy chair knowing that the next Senator's front name will be Don.

One of the characters presented by Mr. Cable Saturday evening had studied out the fact that if a person doesn't die of one thing he will of another. Some one out East has noticed that when a person loses an arm the hand is commonly lost with it, and so they have set about teaching the youth in the schools out there to write with either hand.

It is said that bushels of memorials for the passage of one of the postal telegraph bills are pouring into Washington from all parts of the country, but it is pretty safe to predict that none will be passed unless it be one giving the contract to some established company. No proposition to build or buy lines stands any chance of success.

The sheriff of Sargeant County, Dakota, is now visiting the East. He says that in his county at the November elections, the people, for their own satisfaction, took a test vote on the Presidential question. Of 1,083 votes cast, 1,076 were for Blaine. The Republican candidate for Congress received the entire vote of the county except three. No wonder Senator Vest thinks the population of Dakota is unfit for admission to the union of States.

One way in which the over-burdened treasury should not be relieved is by drawing upon it to build a pedestal for the Bartholdi statue. The preparations for receiving and supporting New York's Goddess devolves upon New York, not upon the general government. The size of the colossal statue does not compare with that of the disgrace which belongs to the wealthy men of New York and it is to be hoped that Mr. Cox's bill for their relief will be defeated as speedily as possible.

Mr. Howells having been guilty of two or three anachronisms in his new story, such as speaking of Daisy Miller before Mr. James's novel appeared and describing a type-writer in use in 1875, he assumes to meet the charge in an open letter to the January Century by saying that in aiming at contemporary effect "the general truth is sometimes better than the specific fact." This explanation would hardly be accepted in art as an excuse for painting King Solomon in a swallow-tail coat or making Moses wear a plug hat.

Those Protestants who took occasion yesterday, or have done so before, to read the somewhat lengthy letter of the Catholic prelates lately assembled in council in Baltimore must have been favorably impressed with the tone of respect toward American institutions which characterizes it, and with its emphatic condemnation of loose divorce laws and the attempt to introduce the European Sunday here instead of the American Sabbath. A more thorough knowledge of the Catholic church would doubtless make many Protestants more tolerant toward it than they now are.

THE METHODISTS.

Brooklyn is the "City of Churches," but Baltimore is becoming the city of church conventions. The Catholics had hardly concluded the most memorable council in the history of that church in America when the Methodists met to celebrate the centennial anniversary of the conference which came together on Christmas in 1784 and ordained Francis Asbury the second bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church and the first in

America. At that time there were eighty-three Methodist clergymen and 14,000 church members in this country. Now there are almost as many clergymen as there were church members then, while there are a million and a half members. Besides these there are in the Methodist Episcopal Church South nearly a million members and about nine thousand preachers. Adding to these the Wesleyan Methodists and the members of the African and Zion churches and the total number of Methodists in the United States will reach more than three millions. These figures show a wonderful growth, but it is only the growth in numbers, and they give no adequate idea of the progress in wealth and influence at home and abroad which the church has maintained. The slavery question ruptured the fraternity of the church in 1847 when by reason of the heat of the controversy the "American Methodist Episcopal Church South" became a separate organization. Notwithstanding these differences, which have now become in a measure readjusted, the Methodist church is more nearly national in its character than any other, its numerous distinguished educational institutions are perhaps unrivalled, and its extensive labors in the fields of foreign missions is something of which its members are justly proud.

#### CURRENT COMMENT.

Albany Journal: Representative Milard's bill to pension ex-Presidents ought to be passed. It is fair and just.

Philadelphia Times: Mr. Cleveland will doubtless remember the lesson of history, that a kitchen cabinet generally cooks a President's goose.

Buffalo Courier: President Cleveland is strongly committed to the maintenance of the Pendleton act, and his administration will enforce the reform law in its letter and spirit.

Chicago Inter-Ocean: Mr. Bayard says Cleveland's Southern policy will be that of Hampton, Gordon and Colquitt. This is the Democratic way of reassuring the colored people in the South.

Davenport Gazette: As all the other States are claiming cabinet positions, there is no reason why Iowa should not have one, and the Democratic State Press is raising the name of Judge L. G. Kinne.

Utica Herald: The more the provisions of the Spanish treaty are studied the more astonishing it appears that a Republican President and Secretary of the Treasury should submit such an instrument for the approval of a Republican Senate.

Philadelphia Record: Reciprocity involves a nearly equal measure of commercial advantage for both the parties to a treaty. It is not proper to call the Spanish treaty a reciprocity measure, because it establishes no fair balance of "give and take." As long as Spain insists upon the collection of export taxes it is impossible to do business with her upon even terms.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: And so, upon the whole, it would clearly be best to go slow about consummating this dicker with Spain. Surely, with the light we now have upon the matter, it looks to be a diplomatic blunder so far as our side of the bargain is concerned; and some very strong arguments will be necessary to warrant any different view.

New York Sun: The idea that Mr. Bayard went to Albany for any other purpose than to see about being the leading member of Mr. Cleveland's new cabinet is ridiculous. Of course he will take the post of Secretary of State or Secretary of the Treasury, just as he or Mr. Cleveland may prefer. If he meant to refuse, there would have been no need of his traveling to Albany to say so.

#### NOTED PEOPLE.

P. T. Barnum says that the receipts of his show for the season of 1884 were \$1,400,000.

James L. Ruffin, for ten years chief of police of Cincinnati, died Friday morning.

The late Otis J. Ballou, of Rhode Island, left all his property, a valuable estate, to the poor of Pawtucket.

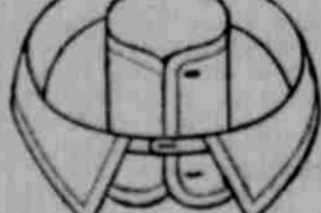
Professor Swinburnt has discovered that the lark, the typical "early bird," really is about the last to rise in the morning.

The author of "Do They Miss Me at Home?" is Mrs. Caroline A. Mason, of Fitchburg, Mass. She is 61 years old, and wrote the song forty years ago.

Mr. Archibald Forbes, whose wild rides, successful lectures, and dashing writing made him so popular in America, is on a lecturing tour in Scotland.

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